

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

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BUDGETARY ALLOCATION FOR HEALTH SECTOR
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether only 2-3 per cent of total Gross Domestic Product has been allocated to Health Sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether Government proposes to increase the budgetary provisions for health and medical sector; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD)

(a) & (b): In accordance with Indian Public Finance Statistics 2010-11 published by Ministry of Finance, Government of India, the allocation of Centre and the States under Medical & Public Health & Water Supply and Sanitation and Family Welfare during 2010-11 (BE) was Rs. 96672.79 crore, which is 1.22% of Gross Domestic Product. The Central Plan Allocation for Health sector for the year 2011-12 (BE) is Rs. 26,760 crore as against Rs. 22,300 crore in 2010-11 (BE).

(c) & (d): As per the Planning Commission document- "Faster, Sustainable and More Inclusive Growth: An Approach to the 12th Five Year Plan (draft)", the aim should be to raise the total health expenditure to 2.5% of GDP by the end of the Twelfth plan.